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**Subject:** RE: update on wild rice water quality standard analysis  
**Attachments:** Draft notes from 3 26 2015.docx

Hello all – I've attached the draft notes from our March 26<sup>th</sup> meeting. Please review them and send back any comments or revisions to me by next Friday April 17<sup>th</sup>. I will send final notes out to the group the week of April 20<sup>th</sup>. Thank you again for your participation in the discussion and for your commitment to a continued dialogue going forward. One question that we are particularly interested in hearing from you about is how to proceed with Tribal Consultation. As we discussed at the meeting we hope to have more constructive conversations between now and the start of formal rulemaking. We also want to make sure that we honor the request for Consultation. In order to do that we would like to hear from folks about how and when they would prefer that take place.

Many thanks!  
Katrina

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**Subject:** RE: update on wild rice water quality standard analysis

Thank you to those of you that participated in the discussion last Thursday. As we articulated, we have very much valued your input up to this point and hope to continue to have constructive conversations over the coming months on the proposed approach. During the meeting we committed to sending out draft notes for review and comment. Those will be forthcoming. In the mean time I am sending the attached spreadsheet that includes protective sulfate concentrations calculated using the draft equation for the MPCA field survey locations with both total organic carbon and iron information. Please note that the calculated protective sulfate values are not standards. The proposed approach, including the equation, is draft. As we discussed on Thursday we continue to evaluate how discrete protective sulfate concentrations calculated from different locations within a waterbody should be integrated. The

consideration of spatial variability within a given waterbody is one of the questions we are committed to answering over the coming months prior to formal rulemaking. Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions about the attached data.

Many thanks!  
Katrina

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Good morning all:

I am writing to invite you to a meeting on March 26<sup>th</sup> from 11 am – 12:30 pm at the Hinckley Convention Center in the Birch-Ash Room. The purpose of the meeting is to provide you with an update on the MPCA's work on the wild rice sulfate water quality standard. Shannon Lotthammer and I will be present at the meeting to discuss recent efforts and to answer questions. We would be happy to have you attend in person but recognize that may not be feasible for everyone. To that end there will be a conference call-in option for folks that would like to participate remotely. I will send an email with the call-in number and conference call code in the near future.

Thanks!  
Katrina

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Katrina: thank you for the message regarding MPCA's progress on the wild rice standard, beneficial use, and permitting approach (copied below). It has been a little over a year since the agency last met in consultation with Minnesota tribal staff about this issue, and I am wondering if we could again schedule a consultation meeting prior to the broader public release of the proposed update to your wild rice WQS/permitting framework. Fond du Lac would be happy to host this meeting if that is convenient for you.

I look forward to hearing from you,

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Good afternoon everyone:

Hopefully you are all managing to stay warm through this bitter cold snap. We wanted to send you a quick note to update you on the status of our analysis efforts. The work is progressing well, and at this point we expect to have a proposal that addresses the standard, beneficial use (wild rice waters), and a permitting approach completed as soon as the end of March that we will share with you. So more to come.

Thank you all for your ongoing interest and feedback!

Katrina

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